

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

INFORMATION REPORT

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1. VEB Biesenthal, which repairs clothing for various Russian clothing depots, employs the following system for dispatching clothing after repair:

- a. All repaired clothing is sorted into lots and tied together with string. No packing paper is used. These bundles are then put aside for a checking commission sent under orders from Wuensdorf [REDACTED] in Bernau. This commission normally consists of a lieutenant-colonel, a captain and a lieutenant, but only one person, a Captain Vlasov, has so far been introduced by name. [REDACTED] These officers quickly run through each of the articles in each bundle, and if they are satisfied, impress a stamp on the inner lining. This commission first appeared at the beginning of October 1953. Before this date all necessary checking had been done [REDACTED] in Frankfurt/Oder.
- b. Accompanying the commission is a German worker, who undoes each bundle and lays out the pieces ready for inspection, and afterwards ties up the bundles again ready for dispatch. The checked bundles are taken into store until a railroad car load has accumulated, and they are then dispatched [REDACTED] The monthly average is 2 car loads for dispatch.
- c. Tables laid down for each bundle include: some trousers in bundles of 20, other trousers in bundles of 10, denim type blouses in bundles of 10, jackets in bundles of 5, overcoats in bundles of 5, and mattresses in bundles of 10.
- d. On arrival in Frankfurt as well as during the check, odd bundles are opened to see that they have been stamped by the checking commission. These articles of clothing are then taken into store where they usually remain for several weeks before issue to units.

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2. At the beginning of November, the following documents were found [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted]
- a. A pass valid to 31 March 1953, permitting Technical Lieutenant Anatoli Savelevich Novikov to proceed [redacted] 25X1
 - b. A pass valid to 31 March 1953, permitting First Lieutenant Aninshenko [redacted] to visit Military Depot Unit [redacted] 25X1
 - c. A pass valid to 31 March 1953, permitting Captain Anvitenku [redacted] to visit Military Depot Unit [redacted] 25X1
 - d. A permit dated 31 March 1953, enabling First Lieutenant Dimitrievich Vasily Aninshenko to exchange rifles [redacted] in Finow. This permit was signed by Colonel Shavarentov [redacted] 25X1
 - e. Permit dated 31 March 1953, enabling Captain N. P. Shebotnevo to receive goods [redacted] This permit was signed by Senior Lieutenant-Colonel Peypetrov [redacted] 25X1
 - f. Permit dated 31 March 1953, allowing Senior Lieutenant N. D. Dorofegovu (machine gun unit) to receive goods [redacted] This permit was signed illegibly by the Commander [redacted] 25X1
 - g. Permit dated 31 March 1953, allowing First Lieutenant Taiganovu (machine gun unit) to receive goods [redacted] This permit was signed by Lieutenant-Colonel Taichanov [redacted] 25X1
 - h. Permit dated 31 March 1953, allowing Captain J. J. Prosha to receive goods [redacted] This permit was signed by the Commander of Staff [redacted] Senior Colonel Glushkov. 25X1
3. Technical Lieutenant Novikov came from [redacted] a recently occupied factory building about 200 yards away from the building occupied by the clothing repair plant of VEB Biesenthal. This factory building lies immediately to the east of the railway line Biesenthal-Melchow near the crossing Biesenthal-Sydow. This building was occupied by Soviet troops in the summer of 1953. On 2 November 1953, a letter was [redacted] lying on a desk in this unit's office [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] The unit consists of approximately 50 men, with enlisted men wearing black shoulderboards with red piping. Some of the enlisted men have been observed wearing Artillery insignia and some with Tank insignia. The factory yard belonging to this unit was fenced in with barbed wire during September 1953, and a wooden tower was erected.
4. The telephone line, approximately one kilometer in length, reported as having been laid on 6 August 1953, connects this building with the main Soviet telephone network running north-west/south-east.
5. On 12 November 1953, Major Makarov, who wore a dark red cap band and arrived at VEB Biesenthal [redacted] he was stationed, 25X1 or lived, near the cleaning plant in Berlin-Koepenick.

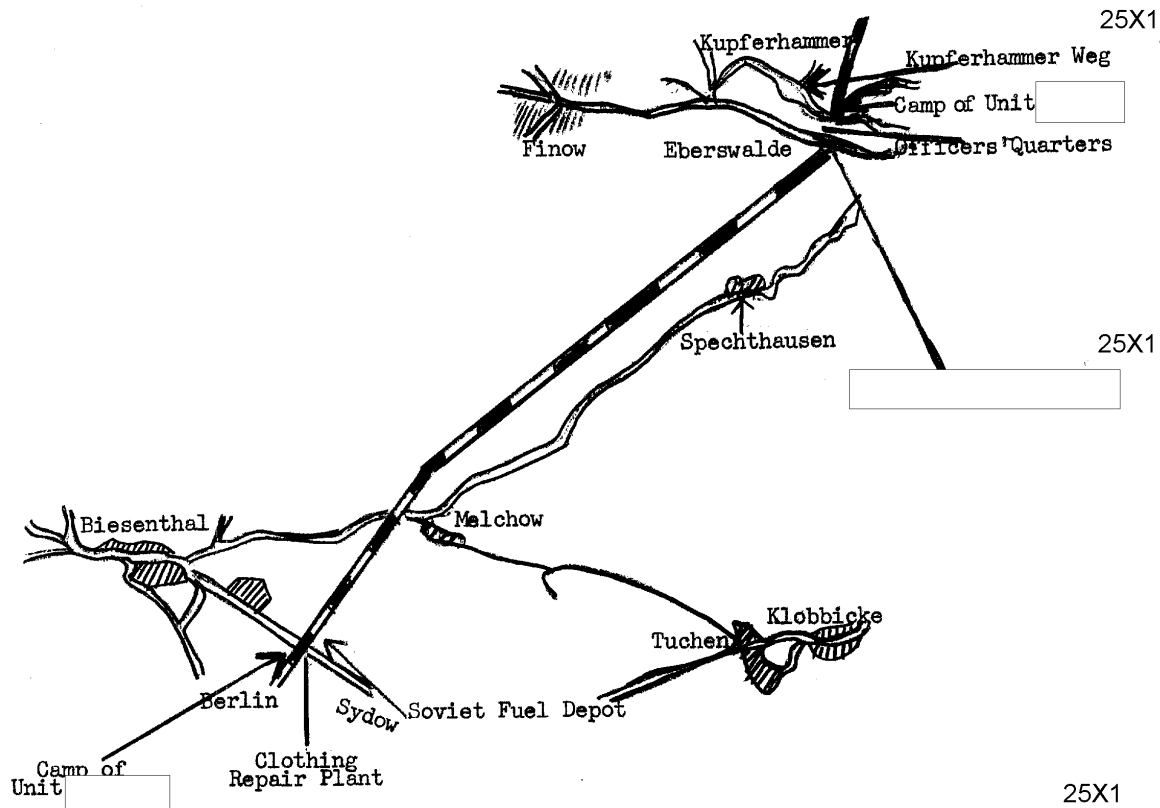
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